
Title: The Rise of the Citizen

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-The following is
a declaration by
the Light.-

I am Torchlight.

This is my goal: the
establishment of a
leadership body,
transparent in all
function, and dedicated
solely to the advancement,
prosperity, safety and
well-being of the citizens
of Britannia.

That is my goal. This is
how it can be done.

By looking to the way a
torch can illuminate a
dark room, or to the way
the sun dispels all shadow
as it blazes it's morning
trail, we can mirror the
action of that Light and
apply it to our lives. We
can apply this to
government by instituting
policy that not only
makes the government's
decisions publicly visible
but that relies on the
citizen for input and
decision making.

Each citizen in this realm
is capable of such
wonderful things; from
Minoc to Skara Brae,
from Luna to the far
reaches of Ilshenar,
everywhere I have walked
I have witnessed your
splendor.

Thus, I will call to
convention the citizens of

these realms, without restriction or exclusion. Any may attend, speak, and voice their minds. The outcome of these conventions will be a governmental body created by the citizen to serve the citizen. By convening on the topics of the justice system, trade and economic growth, science and knowledge, defense and public peace, history and record keeping, the arts, diplomacy and state recognition and resource management, we can begin to put together the pieces needed to see this government constructed.

I will do my best to help and guide you, but ultimately it is up to you. You see, my friends, there will always be a need for a leader and leaders. What we must do is see that their actions are visible and that for their actions they are held accountable. By instituting such policies we not only can see the replacement of the failed governing body known as the Regency, we can assure our children, and their children, that such a state will never rise again on the soil of these realms.

The dissolution of the Regency will mean that an interim government will be formed while the conventions are held, and while the final treatise outlining the new ruling body is written.

This is not a time to seek revenge. This is not a time for a self-serving organization to attempt to seize a power that

belongs to the citizen.
The Light will illuminate
all such attempts. Those
who take advantage of
the interim can only be
considered as treasonous,
but not against a state
or a nation.

It is a treason committed
directly against each and
every citizen.

The Light's rays will
not only illuminate. They
will burn.

I will be personally seeing
to the creation of
several programs that are
meant to not only
facilitate the process of
convention but to provide
a model of what a
government can achieve
and what a ruling body
can do for the citizen. If
this is what the meager
resources of the Light
can do, imagine what the
resources of a nation can
achieve.

The Light will see the
creation of a mail service
available to all of
Britannia. This service will
be provided free to all
citizens, helping bolster
our community and
allowing for long lost
parties to communicate
with each other. The
method of implementation
has already been
developed, and very soon
it will be open to
everyone.

The Light will see to the
creation of ASH, or the
Adolescent Support
Holdings. By bringing
together the right people